AGENDA FOR MONTHLY MEETING July 18, 2012

Place: 4th floor Director's Conference Room, at the VA Regional Office, 570 Foothill Blvd., SLC.

Time: 4:00 pm

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Chairman's Remarks. Introduction of Guests.
- 2. Review and approval of minutes for the June 20th meeting.
- 3. Subcommittee reports.
 - A. Subcommittee on additional Veterans' Homes in Utah.
 - B. Subcommittee on the Veterans' Cemetery.
 - C. Subcommittee on Legislation.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Confirmation of the following dates for our monthly meetings:
 - -- August 15, 2012 (Wednesday)
 - -- September 19, 2012 (Wednesday)

Utah Veterans' Advisory Council Minutes of Monthly Meeting June 20, 2012

Place: 4th floor Director's Conference Room, at the VA Regional Office, 570 Foothill Blvd.

Time: 4:00 PM

Members Present: Les Baxley, Bill Christoffersen, Bill Dunlap, Frank Maughan, Terry Schow,

Gary Schwartz, James Theriault

Excused: Bob Granstrom, Dave Phillips, Doug Wadsworth

Secretary: Alan Ferner

Guests: Kenneth Baxley, Steve Coltrin, Warren Johnson, Terry Kohler, Penny Larsen, Norm

Nelson, Kenneth Perry, Karl Pfanzelter, James Walston, Danny Zaharias

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by Terry Schow. Terry introduced and welcomed those in attendance.

- 2. The minutes of our 16 May meeting were reviewed and approved by the members of the Council.
- 3. Terry Schow reported on additional Veterans Homes. The building permits for both the Payson and Ivins homes have been issued. Construction work is proceeding on footings, foundations and utilities. Both homes are scheduled for completion by May, 2013.
- 4. Subcommittee on the Veterans Cemetery Terry Schow informed the Council that the new maintenance building, columbarium, entry way etc. are being completed as a result of federal grants.
- 5. Steve Coltrin addressed the Council on "Splore." Splore is a non-profit organization that provides life changing outdoor recreation and educational opportunities for people of all abilities. He explained that the program has a lot to offer Veterans and would like to promote the program in Veterans publications. Terry Schow suggested that he could use the "Utah Veteran" newspaper for this purpose. Further information is available at: www.splore.org
- 6. Legislative Subcommittee: Frank Maughan summarized the objectives of the legislative subcommittee, to coordinate and prioritize legislative proposals from the Veterans organizations. The committee is comprised of the State Commanders of American Legion, DAV and VFW, and possibly other Veterans organizations. The committee members will select a chairman, a vice chairman, and a secretary at their first meeting (preferably this month). The committee will bring their recommendations for legislative action to this Council at our September meeting for final prioritization and approval.
- 7. James Walston updated us on programs and projects at the VA Medical Center, such as the Medical Foster Home program, and the Caregiver Support program. James agreed to provide some pamphlets for the caregiver Support program at our July meeting. James added that the Valor House is scheduled for completion by Veterans Day.
- 8. The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 PM. By Frank Maughan. Our next monthly meeting will be held Wednesday, July 18th, at 4:00 PM in the 4th floor Director's Conference Room, at the VA Regional Office, 570 Foothill Blvd., SLC.